

**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 6, which starts with "The present invention relates," with the following amended paragraph:

-- The present invention relates to a self-locking shaft for ~~a pivotably pivotal~~ or ~~rotatably rotatable~~ support of actuation elements in a motor vehicle, and in a particularly though non-limiting embodiment, to support of a parking brakes or of pedals.--

Please replace page 1, line 15, which starts with "element through the," with the following amended line:

-- elements through the stationary support, and the movable element and the shaft is --

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 18, which starts with "A very easy," with the following amended paragraph:

-- A very easy possibility for the securing of the shaft lies ~~therein~~ hereinto provide a collar at one end of the shaft, which acts as a stop. At the other side of the shaft, threads are ~~can be~~ provided, onto which a nut is screwed. ~~Very common is also the possibility~~ It is also common to provide a radial groove at this end in which, after the insertion of the shaft, a circlip ring is inserted (a so-called ~~Seeger~~ SEEGER circlip ring).--